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## FARM MANAGEMENT

### Solution of Many of The Problems of Agriculture

#### MAKING FARMING A BUSINESS

Farm management as a branch of agricultural science is defined as follows in an address recently delivered in New England by one of the department's specialists:

"The farm management investigator gets his information direct from the farmer. The solution of many of the practical problems of agriculture are found to have already been solved generations ago by large groups of farmers; particularly it is true of farm management and organization. Every farmer is of necessity more or less of an experimenter. The results of thousands of such experimenters gathered by the farm management investigator, classified and interpreted in their bearing on the community's problems and on the individual farm's problems, yield not only many fundamentally broadly applicable principles of good farm organization, but also show in more or less detail in just what respect a successfully operated farm differs from one which is a failure or only moderately successful.

"In previous decades the agricultural investigator largely concerned himself with the study of how to accomplish certain ends. How best to feed a pig or a cow; how best to raise potatoes or fruit. The farm management investigator is concerned with determining whether to keep cows or pigs; whether to raise fruit or potatoes; and, if an industry be found to be desirable, to what extent it should enter into the farm organization, and with what intensity it should be pursued. All of these problems have in the aggregate been solved by the farmers. Farm management is merely a science for classifying and interpreting the collective experience of the farming people as to what constitutes business efficiency in farming.

Join the procession buying lovely Easter Hats and Suits. Today—LAST CHANCE!

Fogel & Burstan.

#### DEATH OF HARRY C. KIRBY

The body of Harry C. Kirby was brought here on Wednesday, from Patterson, N. J., and taken to Warwick, Md., for interment. Mr. Kirby lived here years ago, but for years has lived in different places. He died on December 12th, of last year, at West Chester, Pa., and his friends there, knowing he had at one time lived at Patterson, sent the body there for burial. No one claiming the body, it was buried in the Potter's Field. After some time, in looking over some papers, a friend found letters to Mr. Kirby from friends in Warwick, and papers showing that Mr. Kirby belonged to two lodges with some six hundred dollars due him.

Lodge members were notified and at once got busy to have the body removed from the Potter's Field and buried with the honors of the lodge.

On Thursday, eight members of the lodges came here from West Chester, and proceeded to Warwick, where the body was buried in the M. P. Cemetery, with services in charge of the lodges. So far as is known, Mr. Kirby leaves no family.

#### A Spring Coat For The Road

The winter frost is already, or will soon be, out of the earth roads and the standard spring condition—deep, sticky mud—can be expected for some time to come. Later in the summer these roads will be highly satisfactory. The warm weather will dry them out and hard travel will compact the surface until it is hard and smooth. From now until then the going will be practically impossible unless the drag is brought into use. As the first drying begins, the scraper or drag should be run over each side of the road to level off the rough places and fill the ruts. This will not only true up the surface, but will also materially hasten the drying. The road will be in a satisfactory condition in much shorter time, and the good summer road will arrive much earlier. The dragging should be repeated as the drying progresses.

#### Piano For Townsend School

Townsend school has raised nearly ninety dollars for the Piano Fund and expects to continue the work until the end of the school term. Since the formation of a Parent-Teachers' Association a lively interest is taken in school matters and especially so with the prospect of soon occupying the new school building, one of the handsomest to be found in the state. At the meeting of the home and school league recently, Dr. C. A. Wagner, Commissioner of Education, explained the proposed changes to be made in the School Laws and elicited much interest.

## WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

In honor of the thirty-fifth anniversary of their wedding, Mr. and Mrs. Knoch G. Allee were tendered a surprise party by the Mite Society and the Brotherhood of the M. E. Church, last evening. The affair had been quietly arranged, and was a complete surprise to the recipients.

A meeting of the Mite Society had been arranged to take place at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Allee, at which all of the ladies were in attendance. The members of the Brotherhood met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Northrup after the prayer meeting services at the M. E. Church, and went to the house in a body. Mr. Allee was preparing to retire as the body marched in. A delightful evening was spent by all present.

A purse of \$35 in gold was presented to the couple, the presentation speech being made by Alfred G. Cox, the oldest living member of the M. E. Church. Refreshments of ice cream and cake had been provided by the guests and were served during the evening. Among those present were, Rev. J. W. Jones, Mr. and Mrs. George W. Merritt, Mr. and Mrs. Martin B. Burris, Mr. and Mrs. Judson J. Northrup, Mr. and Mrs. Jesse L. Shepherd, Mr. and Mrs. Jacob H. Emerson, Mr. and Mrs. Walter W. Allen, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel J. Brockson, Mr. and Mrs. William J. Bryson, Mr. and Mrs. Adam Reed, Mr. and Mrs. William E. Lee, Mr. and Mrs. J. Everett Walls, Miss Mary P. Merritt, Mr. L. Clarence Scott, Mrs. John E. Ginn, Mrs. Rose Evans, Mrs. Ernest A. Truitt, Mrs. Thomas S. Fournace, Mrs. Joshua Z. Crossland, Mrs. S. J. Downes, Miss Anna Cox, and Messrs. Erank Lewis, Clarence P. Weber, Bruce Whitlock, James Jarrell, Jr.

## FOR THE BOYS

Prices lower than ever. Special Purchases. Boys' Nainsook Underwear, Union Suits, all sizes, now 25c. Boys' Union Suits, Porosknit Challers, made all sizes, now 45c. Boys' Amoskeag Blue Chambray Work-shirts, collar attached, all sizes, 12-1-2 to 14 inch, now 25c. Big boys' heavy blue Denim Overalls, wide apron, double stitched front, which extends below the knees, will give double wear, 3 pockets, 1 hip and two front; extra value, size 28 to 32, 45c. Boys' Brownie Overalls, blue Denim, best make, age 8 to 16 years, all double stitched, Regular price 40c, now 25c. Boys' blue hickory stripe Brownie Overalls, back to old prices, 8 to 16 years, 25c. Boys' Knee Pants, fully guaranteed 6 months, \$1.00. Read this guarantee which comes with every pair Nichols' Pants. Should the smallest hole appear through reasonable wear within 6 months from date of purchase, as written thereon, we exchange it and a new pair will be given free of charge. J. B. ME-SICK.

## Forest Church Notes

Easter Sunday, April 23d, 1916. 10.30 A. M., Public worship with sermon. "Christ is Risen from the Dead." 7.30 P. M. Evening service with sermon. "Awake, thou that sleepest, and arise from the dead." Special Easter music will be rendered by the choir at both morning and evening services. 11.45 A. M. Sunday School session. The Men's Bible Class will meet in the Library room. A large Sunday School attendance is especially requested. 6.45 P. M. Christian Endeavor service. Topic: "The Lesson of our Immortality." The Rev. J. H. Crawford and the Rev. H. L. Bunstein were elected by the New Castle Presbytery as the ministerial commissioners to the General Assembly.

## Bethesda Church Notes

9.30 A. M. Brotherhood devotional meeting. 10.30 A. M. Easter sermon by the pastor, Rev. J. W. Jones. 2 P. M. Sunday School session. 7.30 P. M. Evening service, preaching by the pastor. Special Easter music will be a feature at both the morning and evening services, the choir being enlarged by a number of additional voices, the program not being fully made out at this time.

## Hope For Grace Marshall

Grace Marshall, the 28-year-old woman who was rescued from an imprisonment in her father's home at St. Michaels, Md., is slowly regaining her mental faculties in the Henry Phipps Clinic at Johns Hopkins Hospital, Baltimore. The treatment that she has been given, it was said Wednesday, has increased her weight more than 30 pounds and has added a few words to her very limited vocabulary. Her memory too has improved. After her removal to the clinic, the doctors despaired for a long time of restoring her faculties. They showed remarkable patience and perseverance to revive any latent faculties she might have, and now express the hope that she will be entirely in possession of her senses.

## FRIENDS & VISITORS

### Personal Items About People You See and Know

**THOSE THAT COME AND GO**  
Mr. John Armstrong was at his home over Sunday.

Mrs. John Armstrong was a Wilmington visitor on Saturday.

Mrs. L. V. Kirk and daughter, Miss Hannah, spent Friday in Wilmington.

Mrs. George H. Johnson is spending ten days with friends in Richmond, Va.

Mr. Delbert Gallagher, of Penns Grove, N. J., spent Sunday at his home here.

Mrs. Henry M. McCullough, of Elkton, has been the guest of relatives near here.

Mr. Floyd Booker, of Philadelphia, was a guest of Mr. Osborne Banning over Sunday.

Miss Orah Spry visited relatives in Bridgeville and Cambridge, Md., Saturday and Sunday.

Miss Lillian Melvin visited her brother, Mr. John Melvin and wife, of Smyrna, on Sunday.

Mrs. Lydia Pennington, of Wilmington, has returned home after a visit with Mrs. H. V. Parvis.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Liston Dashiell and two children visited their parents, in Cambridge, Md., on Sunday.

Mr. Philip Vinyard, of Wilmington, visited his mother Mrs. Elizabeth Vinyard on Saturday and Sunday.

Miss Eliza Cleaver, of near Odessa, has been the guest of her sister Mrs. H. D. Ratledge, on the "Levies".

Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Wilson, of Cecilton, were entertained over Sunday by Mr. and Mrs. J. Wilson Merritt.

Mr. and Mrs. H. T. Preston have returned from a visit with Mr. Preston's relatives at Havre de Grace, Md.

Miss Frances Simmons was a weekend guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Simmons, near Port Penn.

Miss Sallie Crossland, of Wilmington, visited Mr. and Mrs. George D. Crossland, near Mt. Pleasant, on Sunday.

Mr. N. B. Smithers and Miss Sue Bowles, of Philadelphia, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Alston on Sunday.

Miss Amy R. Piser, of Washington, D. C., will spend the Easter holidays with her sister, Mrs. J. Wilson Merritt.

Miss Anna M. Burris, of Bear, spent Saturday and Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. A. Woodall Cochran, near Mt. Pleasant.

Mr. Louis Liman and son, Leon, of New York City, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. S. Burstan, several days this week.

Miss Lena Weber attended a meeting of Chief Operators, of the Diamond State Telephone Co., at Dover, on last Friday.

Miss Laura Hurd, of Wilmington, spent Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George W. Hurd, near McDonough.

Miss Louise Echenhofer has returned to Philadelphia, after a few days' stay with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Echenhofer.

Mrs. A. Woodall Cochran who has been very ill at her home for the past two weeks is very much improved at this writing.

Dr. J. Burstan and friend Dr. H. Boyle, of Jefferson Medical College, are spending the Easter holidays, with Mr. and Mrs. S. Burstan.

Mrs. G. Lindsey Cochran and Miss Laura E. Willets have gone to Whaleyville, Va., for a week's visit with Mrs. Dora Price Robertson.

Mr. and Mrs. William Green have returned to their home in Philadelphia, after spending several days with her father, Mr. J. A. Cleaver.

Mrs. Elizabeth Chamberlaine and son Henry, and Miss Mildred Vaughan, of Atlantic City, N. J., have been visiting relatives and friends in town this week.

Miss Bernice Metten, of Wilmington, and Mr. John F. Metten, of Philadelphia, were visitors of their parents Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Metten, on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Schriver and daughter, Miss Elizabeth, of Boothwyn, Pa., were Sunday visitors of Mrs. Shriver's mother, Mrs. Elizabeth Lockwood.

Mrs. Grant Robotham and two children, of Philadelphia, are spending several weeks with Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Price. Mr. Robotham spent Sunday with his family.

Mrs. Lloyd Bragdon and little daughter Ann, of Wilmington, have been visiting relatives in town this week. Mr. Bragdon spent Sunday with his parents Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Bragdon.

Miss Nellie Janvier spent several days last week with friends in Newark, N. J. While there Miss Janvier attended the wedding of Miss Grace Bittles, at which she was one of the bridesmaids.

Mrs. George Ginn, Mr. and Mrs. Dan M. Cochran, Mr. and Mrs. James L. Warren, Misses Mazie Daniels, Lillian, Camille and Dewese Ginn and Mr. Harry M. Burris were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. A. Woodall Cochran.

Rev. J. W. Jones, pastor of Bethesda M. E. Church, arrived in town with his family on Friday afternoon last, and was met at the parsonage by a number of the official board of the church and ladies, who welcomed them by preparing a nice supper. The evening was pleasantly spent by all present.

## A VARIETY SHOWER

In honor of her approaching marriage to Mr. James Albert Kumpel, of Port Penn, Miss Marion Vinyard was given a variety shower, at her home on East Main street, on Wednesday evening. About seventy-five guests were present and a delightful evening passed. The affair was an entire surprise to the bride-elect. Mr. Kumpel, who was let in the secret, had taken her to Port Penn to their future home, where the day was spent arranging the house to be ready for them after their marriage. Upon their return to Miss Vinyard's home soon after eight o'clock, they found the house in darkness, but when the lights were turned on, they found the rooms filled with guests.

The evening was passed in music and fun. The bride-elect opened her gifts which were numerous and beautiful, not to mention the many useful kitchen utensils.

The Queen Esther Circle, the members of which were present and the originators of the shower, gave a beautiful rocker, as is their usual custom when a members marries.

The marriage of Miss Vinyard and Mr. Kumpel will take place within a few days, but the exact date is still a secret.

Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Albert Kumpel, Miss Hilda and Janvier Kumpel, of Port Penn; Miss Mariner and Miss Julia Thompson, of Philadelphia; Mrs. T. S. Fournace, Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Brockson, Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Pearce, Mrs. J. Z. Crossland, Mrs. A. K. Hopkins, Mrs. Edward S. Jones, Mrs. D. W. Stevens, Mrs. John E. Ginn, Mrs. Elizabeth Vinyard, Mrs. Sarah Kumpel Mrs. Corbit Vinyard, Mrs. May Moore, Mr. and Mrs. Baynard Marvel, Mrs. Elwood Banning, Mrs. Elwood Denny, Misses Lena and Viola Weber, Marian Vinyard, Jennie Gallagher, Marian Daniels, Edna Brynes, Frances Simmons, Anna Denny, Lillian Melvin, Orah Spry, Ruby and Addie Whitlock, Elsie Jones, Mary Culver, Mary Beaton, Harriett Black, Messrs. John Dickinson, Osborne Banning, Robert Douglas, Harry Vinyard, Carson Segelken, Comegys Cosden, William Gallagher, John Carpenter, Jr., William Kirk, Miller, Lee and Elmer Vinyard, Harry Daniels, Nelson Neff, Allen Evans, Harry Culver, Clifford Pyle, Mr. Huffington, and others.

## NEW CENTURY CLUB

Current Events day at the New Century Club on Tuesday proved to be just as interesting as usual, the program being in charge of Mrs. Charles Derickson, chairman for the day. It was decided that the club members will sell ice cream cones at the base-ball games during the summer. Last summer quite a nice sum was cleared from the sales, and this year the officers of the Athletic Association have given the club women the exclusive privilege of selling the cones.

The day's program follows: "Points on the European War," Mrs. Lillian W. Biggs. "Tree Planting in Kansas," Miss Mary Hutchin. \$40,000,000 a year for what," Mrs. A. W. Derickson. "War and the Labor Question," Mrs. Clara Brady Green. "Ruining Washington," Mrs. Maria M. Vaughan. "Centenary of Shakespeare," Mrs. Derickson. "Abandoning the Philippines," Mrs. Derickson.

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## LOCAL HAPPENINGS

### Many Condensed News Items of the Past Week

#### IN THIS AND NEARBY POINTS

Shad.

Perch.

Herring.

Swimming is next.

Burn all the rubbish.

Cultivate the vacant lots.

Autos very much in evidence.

The music of the fish hauler's horn is heard in the land.

For every fly you swat today you help to keep disease away.

Whooping cough annually kills over ten thousand Americans.

The roads are drying fast and will soon be in good condition.

Delaware City shadboats are reporting catches from 10 to 75.

Mr. John Price, an elderly gentleman, living near here is suffering from a stroke of paralysis.

The Delaware City Century Club will hold its annual Easter dance in the fire engine hall Monday evening.

Harry L. Davis has resigned as a director of the Citizens' National Bank here to devote his time to personal business.

The Fox Club, of Townsend, gave a fox chase there Saturday. About fifty dogs was in the pack with as many more witnesses.

Mr. J. E. Lewis, who recently purchased the Tatman property at the corner of Broad and Crawford streets, is making great improvements.

Owing to the high prices for phosphate and seed potatoes, only about one-fourth of the usual acreage of white potatoes is being planted this season.

The new home being built for the ladies of the New-Century Club is rapidly nearing completion. The building should be finished and furnished ready for use in a month.

The Ladies' Guild of St. Anne's Church will hold a rummage sale and bake in the vacant room of Mr. Henry D. Howell, on West Main street, on Saturday, April 29th.

Jay Alfrey, a farmer near Townsend, was surprised last week when he found in his henhouse the most unusual chick, just hatched, that he had ever seen. It has three feet and three wings.

Mrs. Lulu Loveland Shepard, president of the Utah W. C. T. U., delivered a lecture in the fire engine hall, of Delaware City, Monday evening on temperance, under the auspices of the Women's Christian Temperance Union.

Mrs. Henry D. Howell is ill with scarlet fever at her home on Cass street. This makes the fourth case of scarlet fever in Mr. Howell's family during the past few weeks. The other fever patients in town have recovered.

Posters are out for the Annual Election on Monday, May 1st, for one member of the Board of Light and Water Commission for the term of five years. The election will be held at the office of A. G. Cox between the hours of 2 and 4 o'clock P. M.

A demonstration was given last week of a gasoline tractor plow, on the farm of Julian G. Cleaver, near town. The machine is a 20-horse power Case engine and has three plows geared to it. Each plow cuts a furrow 15 inches wide, and the plow seemed to give entire satisfaction.

Dr. E. G. Clark, who has been attending Mr. Price's daughter, Mrs. Harry P. Kelley, who is staying at the Price home, was there on Saturday morning and had hardly returned to his office when he was called to attend Mr. Price. The patient is somewhat improved.

There will be an L. T. L. Demonstration in Blackbird Church, Friday evening, April 28th. A special program is being prepared. There will be speakers to make the event instructive as well as interesting. Everyone is invited and will be made welcome. A silver offering will be taken.

Unclaimed Letters.—The following list of letters remaining unclaimed in the post-office, for the week ending April 13th, 1916.—Miss Louisa Shaw, Miss Beatrice Jackson, Miss Ada G. McAlpin, Alonza Dawes, Thomas T. Brady, Maurice H. Young, Samuel Wilson, Frank Williams.

The Child's Grocery Company have workmen busily engaged in erecting the shelving, counters, bins, &c., for the opening of the grocery business "in about a week," in the room recently vacated by THE NEW ERA. The fixtures arrived on Tuesday and already put together, are of light golden oak color, and are very attractive.

The Delaware City Gun Club has been awarded a sterling silver trophy by the Interstate Association for the Encouragement of Trapshooting. The club is the only one in this State which has received the trophy from the Association. The club is one of sixteen which have been organized since the opening of the year.

## FLORIDA FLOWER GIFTS

### EDITORIAL:

It does not require brains to say, one has something to give away. My excuse for writing. We had neglected garden work done last month, and in the weeding of a bed of oxalis, hundreds of the little bulbs were pulled up with the weeds and grass, carefully shaken out, and gathered into a box, preparatory to again planting out, and there they are yet, and now I will write and offer them to you who care to have them. This oxalis is the dippi variety of strong vitality, an almost constant bloomer, producing an abundance of dainty pink flowers. I will give you one dozen of the bulbs who sends a plain address and stamp for postage. The bulbs are small and can be planted in one ordinary sized pot. Don't think I am so very generous in making this offer, for I am not. I do not want to plant them—see. Besides there are plenty of them left in the ground; so thought I would make this use of them, for well I remember before we ever came to the South, how glad I was to get any pretty flowers from Florida.

How many of you ever grew a real Dixie cotton plant in your flower garden, they are very interesting. I will send you the cotton seed, if you want to grow it, and plant at once, in doors if yet too cold outside allow only one plant to remain in a pot. Cotton bears large white flowers like a moon flower, and are soon followed by the cotton bolls, which as they mature will burst, showing the snowy white cotton. Growing cotton is indeed interesting, as well as pretty. Speaking of moon flowers I wish you could have seen the one that covers our entire porch every summer, opening its great disk shaped flowers at sunset and closing again at sun rise. I would offer you the seed but I did not save but a little of it, as the tubers remain in the open ground here the year around, yet I will send what moon flower seed I have, as long as the supply lasts, or any other seed that I happen to have. No I am not in any seed business, nor expect to be—might be a florist, if younger, but when one is long past three score years, flowers are a pleasure, and a pastime.

Would you like to grow a cactus from the seed? I can send the seed of a cactus that bears very large semi-double yellow flowers. Cactus seed is rather slow to germinate, but last week I was picking up cactus seed pods that had fallen off, and some of them had already started to grow. So many interesting plants, and flowers here different than the North, I never tire of them, and I am willing to mail such as I have to any who send postage, and as I have said a plain address, no hieroglyphics and call it an address. Yours ALICE WARNER 2029 Hershell St. Jacksonville, Florida.

Only the generous heart of a true lover of flowers would prompt the kind offer of our Floridian correspondent. We do not doubt our readers will gratefully accept the graceful courtesy.

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## ST. ANNE'S CHURCH

### A Very Interesting and Instructive Easter Program



## THE EUROPEAN WAR A YEAR AGO THIS WEEK

April 17, 1915.

French made progress in the Vosges, in Champagne, and at Notre Dame de Lorette.

Germans defeated French at Flirey.

Russians repulsed attacks in direction of the Stry.

Czar of Russia left for the front.

Turkish torpedo boat attacked British transport in the Aegean, 100 being lost, and Turkish boat was destroyed by two warships.

Greek steamer Elliopontis torpedoed in North sea.

French airship bombarded Strasbourg and German aeroplanes attacked Amiens.

April 18, 1915.

Germans repulsed English attack near Ypres and took position in the Vosges.

French had successes at several points in France and Alsace.

Russians made gains on the heights of Telepotch.

British submarine E-15 ran ashore in the Dardanelles, and was destroyed by British picket boats.

Bread riots occurred in Vienna and Bohemia.

April 19, 1915.

British took Hill 60 and pushed their line south of Ypres forward three miles.

French made gains along Focht river and took summit of Burgkorpfeld.

Germans repulsed French at Combrès.

British and French forces landed on Lemnos.

Von der Goltz made commander of Turks.

Russian squadron shelled Turkish coast and sank many vessels.

French airmen raided Rhine towns and Germans bombed Belgium.

Garros, famous French aviator, captured by Germans.

April 20, 1915.

Heavy artillery fighting in Champagne and the Argonne.

Germans stormed and retook Emmerlin.

Russians repulsed heavy German attacks east of Telepotch.

Severe fighting for possession of the heights near Oravozil.

Two Turkish torpedo boats blown up by Russian mines at Bosphorus entrance.

German aeroplane squadron bombarded Bialystok, Russian Poland.

Great air battle over the Rhine won by allied airmen.

April 21, 1915.

German attacks on Hill 60 and Hartmannswillerkopf repulsed.

French lost ground at Flirey and in Forest of Le Pretre.

Russian advance in Carpathians stopped.

Twenty thousand French and British landed near Enos, on Gulf of Saros.

Germans in the Kameruns and Central Africa forced back.

British aviators bombarded German aviation harbor at Ghent.

Bulgarian irregulars invaded Serbia.

American government informed Germany it would not prohibit shipment of arms.

April 22, 1915.

Great battle near Ypres, Germans forcing way across the canal and capturing several villages.

French made gains farther south.

Russians defeated Austrians in Bukovina but lost heavily at Uzok pass.

Allied fleet bombarded Dardanelles forts.

General Joffre retired 29 generals.

April 23, 1915.

French made progress at Forst and near St. Mihiel.

Russian cavalry invaded East Prussia near Memel.

Severe fighting in Uzok pass region.

Blockade of Kamerun, German West Africa, declared by Great Britain.

Russian aeroplanes bombarded Miaw and Plotsk.

## TAKEN FROM EXCHANGES

A farm in England is devoted exclusively to raising butterflies, of which upward of 30,000 are sold each year.

The total value of fish caught in Canadian waters in 1914 was \$32,207,748.

The bottling trade of the British Isles requires 70,000 tons of cork annually.

China has established a double standard of weights and measures that includes the metric system and a native one.

Most of the world's sources of tin ore are either stationary or receding in output. Bolivia, of all countries, alone gives promise of permanence and future growth.

Virtues Attributed to Stone.

Many virtues are attributed to carbuncles. It is related that those who wear them can resist poisons and are preserved from the pest. They dissipate sadness, control incontinence, avert evil thoughts and dreams, exhilarate the soul and forestall misfortune to man by losing their native splendor.

## GREATEST OF ALL BATTLES

Ninth Week of Conflict at Verdun.

## COSTLY GERMAN DRIVE

A Review Of Operations—In Many Respects Without Precedent—400,000 Men Killed, Wounded Or Missing.

The most gigantic conflict in the history of the world, the battle of Verdun, has entered upon its ninth week. It is in many respects without precedent. The enormous scale of the German preparations and execution of the attack, the unparalleled concentration of artillery and the sustained ferocity of the fighting mark the battle as one of the greatest efforts of the war.

Verdun has been rated as one of the strongest fortresses of Europe, a cornerstone of the French defenses against Germany. The evolution of military tactics during the war, however, and particularly the employment by the Germans of long-range howitzers, capable of reducing the greatest forts, have done much to change the character of the Verdun campaign, as compared with the earlier conceptions of what such a struggle might be. Before the battle opened the French partly dismantled their forts around Verdun, and here, as elsewhere on the various fronts, chief reliance for resistance was placed on an elaborate system of trenches.

In no previous battle were the losses so high as those which have been estimated in the fighting around Verdun. These estimates, however, cannot be regarded as conclusive evidence, for neither Germany nor France has announced its casualties.

Nearly 400,000 Eliminated.

The French War Office has declared the Germans have lost 200,000 in killed, wounded and captured. The Germans state semi-officially that the French casualties number 150,000 killed and wounded and that 36,000 unwounded French prisoners have been taken. If these estimates are approximately correct, nearly 400,000 men have been eliminated as fighting units.

The ground occupied by the Germans after 56 days of offensive operations may be roughly calculated as 100 square miles.

The Verdun drive was begun on February 21 by the German Army, under Crown Prince Frederick William. The Germans are reported to have brought up seven army corps, or about 280,000 men, to reinforce the troops which had been in service there, and subsequently, according to French accounts, other large bodies of reserves were called in.

Within the first 10 days of the battle the French lost Haumont, Saumont, Brabant, Ornes, Beaumont, Chambray, Marmont, Cellatelle, Champneuville and numerous other outposts, including villages, woods, heights and fortified farms, together with the fortified sheds of Haudumont, and Dieppe, Fromezey, Abaucourt and, most important of all, Fort Douaumont. These positions lie east of the Meuse and north, northeast and east of Verdun.

Fighting continued intermittently northeast of Verdun during the third week, centering in the struggle for the possession of Fort Vaux. In this week the Germans captured Fresnes, 12 miles southeast of Verdun, making a three-mile advance in this sector.

Meanwhile, a new phase of the battle had developed west of the Meuse. With batteries spaced, according to German correspondents, scarcely 100 yards apart, violent artillery attacks were made against Dead Man's Hill, preceding the long expected offensive from the northwest. Forges, near Dead Man's Hill, was captured early in the third week, after an infantry assault along a front less than three miles long. Positions south of Forges changed hands frequently during the following days.

On Sunday of last week the Germans undertook a general onslaught along a 13-mile front, both west and east of the Meuse, from the Raucourt-Bethincourt sector to Douaumont. A high French military official alluded to this movement as "an attack on the largest scale since the beginning of the offensive." The Germans announced that within a few hours after it was begun Bethincourt and two fortified positions to the southwest were isolated. Trenches in the region of Dead Man's Hill were carried, but at no point was the French line broken through. Toward the end of last week this attack subsided, and there came another pause, followed by French counterattacks over small sections of the line.

## FOR LARGER COMMERCE BOARD.

House Passes Adamson Bill and Sends It To Senate.

Washington.—The Adamson bill to enlarge the Interstate Commerce Commission to nine commissioners at \$10,000, with authority to subdivide the commission into three or more sections for distribution of its work, was passed by the House and went to the Senate. The bill was argued by President Wilson on account of the increased business of the commission.

## SANTIAGO GREETES AMERICANS.

Entire Press Welcomes International High Commission.

Santiago, Chile.—William G. McAdoo, Secretary of the Treasury of the United States, and the other members of the delegation to the International High Commission, arrived here from Buenos Aires. The entire press of Chile has united in welcoming the delegation, the hope being generally expressed that the visit will result in strengthening the friendly understanding between the two countries.

## LATEST IN HAT DECORATION



## 50 PEOPLE HURT IN RAILWAY WRECK

Accident in the New Haven at Bradford, R. I.

## SEVERAL ARE ALSO KILLED

Number Of Dead May Not Be Known For Several Days, As the Cars That Composed the Local Art a Charred Mass.

Westerly, R. I.—The Gilt Edge Express, of the New Haven Railroad, from Boston to New York, crashed into a local train at Bradford, R. I. The express was traveling at high speed through the fog. The local, a train composed entirely of wooden cars, was standing still at the station.

At least 50 persons were injured, some seriously. How many are dead may not be known for several days. The New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad Company says, from one to three. Survivors say, wreck told a story of trapped passengers in the wooden cars that has given rise to reports of from 10 to 12 deaths.

No bodies have been recovered.

## Cars a Charred Mass.

The four cars that composed the local are a charred mass. For the time they hide the record of the death. The station at Bradford is in ruins.

The accident occurred on a straight stretch of track, five miles from here. The express train telescoped the last two coaches. Many passengers on the Gilt Edge were badly injured. No one on the limited lost his life. Immediately after the crash the boiler of the express engine exploded, setting fire to all the cars of the local train. From the flaming mass of wreckage the fire spread to the freight sheds, alongside the tracks, and then to the Bradford Station.

## The Station Burned.

Firemen were summoned from Westerly. On their arrival they found the buildings completely wrecked. Calls were sent for ambulances from Westerly and at New London a special train was made up to take physicians, nurses and hospital supplies. Thirty physicians answered the call from this place.

One of the first of the injured to be found was Miss Jeannette Clark, of this town, daughter of William Clark, president of the local mill of the American Thread Company. Immediately following the collision there were reports that at least 50 had lost their lives. It seemed as if it would be the greatest disaster in the history of the New Haven Road. It was soon seen, however, that these reports were unfounded.

## WOULD LIMIT U. S. FORCE.

## Carranza To Insist That Thousand Cavalrymen Make Up Expedition.

Mexico City.—The Mexican government will insist with inflexible determination that any armed expedition of the United States which enters Mexican territory in the guise of a punitive expedition must be limited to 1,000 men of one service alone, cavalry, according to a statement made by Juan Nefelti Amador, secretary of foreign relations. During the absence of Gen. Candido Aguilar, minister of foreign relations, in Queretaro, Subsecretary Amador is in charge of the Foreign Office and is conducting its course in international affairs.

## PHYSICIAN ATTACKED BY COW.

Animal Breaks Chain and Two Ribs Of Its Victim.

Martinsburg, W. Va.—Dr. George D. Swimley is in a serious condition at his home, near Bunker Hill, as a result of being gored by a cow. The animal, which was chained because of its ugly disposition, broke its chains and charged on the physician. Dr. Swimley was knocked down and was rescued after he had sustained serious injuries, including two broken ribs.

## KILLED WHEN TRAINING COLT.

Aged Man Thrown Against Tree When Animal Bolts.

Luray, Va.—John F. Austin, Sr., 55 years old, was killed near his home in Shenandoah when riding a colt. He was trying to control the animal by means of a halter. The colt became unmanageable, throwing Austin against a tree. He lived only a few minutes. He is survived by a widow and five children.

## DEATH REPORT IS OLD VILLA TRICK

Belief on Border That Pablo Lopez is Real Dead Man.

## LETCHER HEARS NOTHING

Mexican Officials Continue To Profound Confidence That Body Examined Is That Of Chief Bandit.

El Paso, Texas.—General Gabriel Gaviro, Carranza commander at Juarez, announced that the Mexican telegraph wires between Juarez and Chihuahua had been blown down near Pearson about noon and that for that reason he was unable to learn any further details of the reported discovery of the body of Francisco Villa. At the same time a telegram filed at Chihuahua City, presumably before the interruption to the wire service, was received from Consul Letcher saying that nothing was known in the state capital regarding the finding of the bandit's remains.

These two circumstances combined to reinforce the growing skepticism here as to the truth of the story that death has ended the career of the fugitive brigand. The story that the man who is really dead is Pablo Lopez, the notorious butcher of Santa Ysabel, and that Villa has used his death as the basis of a false report of his own death, was revived. This story was told by an American owner of a large ranch in the Guerrero district, who said he had received it from his ranch foreman and believed it to be true.

The confidence of Mexican officials here and in Juarez that Villa is dead has not diminished, however, outwardly, at least. It was pointed out that if the body had been brought to Cuernavaca it might take the better part of a day to transport it from there to Chihuahua City. The road between these two points is in a deplorable condition like that of all other railroads in Northern Mexico.

## COURT SUSTAINS MULE.

Would Be Untrue To Tradition If It Failed To Kick.

Frankfort, Ky.—"The kicking propensity of a mule as a matter of common knowledge," held the Court of Appeals here in reversing a verdict of \$500 damages awarded J. M. Pratt against the Consolidation Coal Company.

From the testimony it appears that Pratt, an employe of the company, was kicked by a mule when he struck the animal with a whip as he stood behind it.

"The mule would have been untrue to itself and false to every tradition of its breed if it had kept its heels on the ground," said the court, "and an employe cannot count danger by inviting a mule to kick him and then recover for consequent injuries." It was brought out that Pratt had never before driven anything but oxen.

## FARMERS UP AGAINST IT.

New Yorkers Report Unprecedented Shortage Of Labor.

New York.—Farmers and market gardeners in New York and nearby States are suffering an unprecedented shortage of laborers, says John J. Dillon, State Commissioner of State Foods and Markets. Authorities say there has never been such a demand for farm help and so limited a supply as at present.

## FOR AMERICAN "IMMORTALS."

President Signs Bill Creating Arts and Letters Academy.

Washington.—President Wilson signed the bill incorporating the American Academy of Arts and Letters, which includes in its membership Mr. Wilson, former President Roosevelt, and other authors, publicists and artists. The President used an eagle feather pen with which he signed the repeal of the Panama Tolls Exemption act.

## BOMB FALLS NEAR CZAR.

Hurled From Austrian Aeroplane Lands Few Feet From Emperor.

Petrograd.—Czar Nicholas had the narrowest escape Wednesday from injury or death he has experienced since the outbreak of the war. A bomb hurled from an Austrian aeroplane at the Russian Emperor, who was reviewing troops in the little town of Iwants, on the Bessarabian frontier, fell a few yards from where the monarch stood and wounded a young Russian private standing guard.

## LIMIT FOR TROOPS IN VILLA CHASE

Wilson Will Negotiate Agreement on That Basis.

## PURSUIT WILL CONTINUE

Daker Announces That No Change Is Contemplated In Plans—Pershing Reports Two Killed At Parral.

Washington.—President Wilson has decided to inform General Carranza, in response to his request for withdrawal of the American troops from Mexico, that the United States will negotiate for an agreement along these lines:

"The United States Government is willing to agree to fix a limit on the distance the American troops now in pursuit of Villa shall proceed into Mexico, and to make that limit not much farther south than the troops already have proceeded.

"The United States Government is willing to give assurances that the American troops will be withdrawn within 'a reasonable time,' or as soon as it is definitely established that Villa has reached a point where he can be dealt with better by the Carranza forces."

## Pursuit To Continue.

The President's advisers are said to have agreed on such a course in the belief that it would make stronger the chance of catching Villa. A reply to General Carranza is said to be virtually completed and is expected to go forward in a very short time.

Meantime the pursuit of Villa by the American troops will continue. Secretary Baker sharply outlined this in a formal statement.

"The status of the expedition into Mexico is as it was at the beginning, in cordial co-operation with the de facto government of Mexico," he said. "That co-operation continues and the expedition continues. There has been no change in the orders and none is in contemplation."

Secretary Baker and other officials laid stress on the fact that co-operation of the Carranza troops was regarded as an important element, and the negotiations for an agreement with the de facto Government will be conducted with the idea that such an agreement would strengthen Carranza at home, and at the same time make the task of catching Villa easier.

The lines of communication of American troops following Villa already have lengthened to the point where sending supplies has become difficult, and it is realized here that it would be extremely hazardous for them to go much farther.

## VON PAPAN BRAINS OF PLOT.

Former German Attache Indicted For Conspiracy.

New York.—Captain Franz von Papan, recalled military attache to the German Embassy, at Washington, was indicted by the Federal Grand Jury here as the organizer and financier of an alleged conspiracy to blow up the Welland Canal in Canada. With him also were indicted Capt. Hans Tauscher, alleged agent of the Krupps in the United States and husband of Mme. Johanna Gadsch, the prima donna; Constantine Govani, Alfred J. Fritzen, and another man whose name has not been revealed. It was learned from reliable source that the last-named is a prominent German, whose name has been mentioned frequently in connection with German propaganda.

Federal officials do not expect to bring Von Papan to trial. While he is no longer immune from prosecution by the United States civil authorities, since he ceased to be a member of the German Embassy staff, the offense with which he is charged is not extraditable under any treaty with a foreign government.

## WANTS VILLA HUNTED DOWN.

Troops To Stay Till Then, Says House Resolution.

Washington.—Another McLemore resolution bubbled up in Congress when the Texas Representative introduced a measure providing that the American forces now in Mexico must not be withdrawn until Villa has been killed, captured or forced into exile. The preamble of the resolution charges that Carranza has placed obstacles in the way of the United States Army and has thereby impeded the capture of Villa.

## MOB LYNCHED POSTMASTER.

Florida County Authorities Trying To Learn Who Did It.

Chipley, Fla.—County authorities are working to discover who was responsible for the lynching at Vernon of John Dykes, postmaster of Green Road, Washington county. Dykes had been arrested on the charge of killing S. A. Walker, a naval stores operator, and was taken from the Vernon jail by a mob of masked men, who overpowered the deputy in charge.

## GIRL MURDERED IN HOME.

Deaf Father Was In House, But Knew Nothing Of Crime.

Columbus, Ohio.—While her father, who is deaf, slept upstairs, Lillian Schwenker, aged 19, was dragged from her home and thrown in a cistern in the rear yard. Her mother and sister, returning from a picture show, found the house ransacked. They followed a trail of torn clothing to the cistern, where they found the body.

## MARYLAND NEWS IN SHORT ORDER

Latest Happenings Gleaned From All Over the State.

## LIVE NOTES AND COMMENTS

Mrs. Maria McCombs, 88 years old, died at Havre de Grace.

Fire destroyed the residence of Mrs. Callie Swope, near Chewsville.

Governor Harrington signed over 200 bills passed by the legislature.

Fire destroyed the residence of Dorsey Gloyd, at Gaithersburg.

Mrs. R. Marion Leonard, near Skipton, Talbot county, committed suicide by swallowing carbolic acid.

Harry S. Allow's tailor shop and furnishing store, at Hagerstown, was burned.

The Eastern Conference of Maryland, Church of the Brethren, met at Meadow Branch, Carroll county.

The voters of Mount Rainier decided in favor of a \$100,000 bond issue for a water system and sewerage plant.

R. Arthur Blann, 76 years old, prosperous farmer near Trappe, Talbot county, died of paralysis.

Governor Harrington signed a large number of bills passed by the last legislature.

Rev. H. M. Wharton, of Baltimore, will conduct an evangelistic campaign in Cumberland.

Fifteen cottages and bungalows at Arundel-on-the-Bay, six miles below Annapolis, were destroyed by fire. The loss is about \$40,000.

Solomon Sudler, colored, was hanged at Westminster for the murder, January 1, near Silver Run, of William F. Brown, a farmer.

Mrs. Henry Turner, of near Knoxville, was run down and killed by a Baltimore and Ohio express near Frederick.

Rev. Dr. S. W. Owen, former president of the Maryland Synod and of the General Synod of the Lutheran Church of the United States, died in Hagerstown.

William O. Soper, convicted of manslaughter, by causing the death of Harry A. Lattier, was sentenced at Rockville, to pay a fine of \$500 and to serve three months in jail.

Harry Gwynn, 21, of Rock Point, was shot and killed in an oyster puggy near La Plata, and Reginald Hancock, of the same town, was arrested on the charge of firing the fatal shot.

Judge Harlan, at Belair, has granted a temporary injunction for the city of Havre de Grace, prohibiting the construction of dams across the Susquehanna River by interests vested in the bondholders of the Susquehanna Power Company.

Miss Grace Marshall, for years imprisoned in her home near St. Michaels, and who has been under treatment in Baltimore since her rescue, has been removed from the city to the home of her aunt, Mrs. H. Rena James, in Talbot county.

Despite the fact that under the ruling of the State Tax Commission, Allegany county's taxable basis has been reduced \$2,000,000, and the further fact that \$45,000 of debt was paid off, the Allegany county commissioners fixed the county tax rate at \$1, the same rate that prevailed last year.

Herbert Orr, formerly an assistant in the quartermaster's division of the War Department, and Mrs. Watkins, of Boonville, Ind., were struck by a car on the Washington, Baltimore and Annapolis Electric Railroad, near Academy Junction, and instantly killed.

All Baltimore and Ohio clerks on the Cumberland division have received increases running from \$2 to \$5 a month from April 1. The increase will affect approximately 200 clerks in the various offices of the company here. The raise is part of the movement to standardize salaries on all divisions. The local men were receiving less than clerks on some divisions, but all will now receive the same.

An English scientist believes there is an individuality in heart beats affecting the handwriting to such a degree that it can be identified when the writing is magnified.

Italian army engineers will sink a large number of artesian wells in an endeavor to convert a large area of desert land in Tripoli into an oasis by irrigation.

President Wilson will be invited to speak at the Old Home Week celebration at Mauch Chunk the latter part of May.

Elbert H. Gary, president of the United States Steel Corporation, now a multimillionaire, was once a clerk at \$12 a week in a Chicago public office.

The Russian Emperor is a great walker, rider, bicyclist and enjoys playing tennis and ninepins. He is also an excellent swimmer.

Strasbourg, the capital of Alsace, was annexed by Germany in 870, taken by France in 1811 and recaptured by Germany in 1870.

## MOVING PICTURES WILL BE CENSORED

Governor Signs Bill Despite Opposition.

## PENSIONS FOR MOTHERS

Among Them Are Many Important Propositions, Including Measures Creating a Conservation Commission.

State House, Annapolis.—Despite strenuous opposition, Governor Harrington signed the bill creating a Board of Censors of moving pictures. Lloyd Wilkinson made a most earnest protest against the measure. The bill becomes effective June 1. The Governor will not appoint the censors until about the middle of May. One of them must be a Republican. He has very strongly hinted that one of the censors will be a woman. Mrs. S. Johnson Poe and Miss Pressman have been mentioned.

Among the other important bills of the two hundred and more signed were the following:

Providing pensions for indigent mothers.

General registration in the counties prior to primary election day.

Reducing State Road Commission to three members.

Authorizing Board of Public Works to compromise suits for leases on oyster beds returned to the State.

School building and conduit loans for Baltimore.

Conservation bill.

Uniform system of accounting in all state departments.



## HOME

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A Story of  
Today and  
of All Days

## SYNOPSIS.

Alan Wayne is sent away from Red Hill by his uncle, J. Y., as a punishment for his failure. Alan runs after him in a tangle of short skirts to bid him good-by. Captain Wayne tells Alan of the falling of the Wayne. Alan drinks Alan's health on his birthday. Judge Healey defends Alan in his business with his employers. Alan and Alix, Gerry's wife, meet at sea, homeward bound, and start a flirtation. At home, Gerry, as he thinks, sees Alix and Alan sloping, drops everything, and goes to Pernambuco. Alix leaves Alan on the train and goes home. Gerry leaves Pernambuco and goes to Piranha. On a canoe trip he meets a native girl. The judge falls to trace Gerry. A baby is born to Alix. The native girl takes Gerry to the ruined plantation she is mistress of. Gerry marries her. At Maple house Collingford tells how he met Alan—Ten Per Cent Wayne—building a bridge in Africa. Collingford meets Alix and her baby and gives her encouragement about Gerry. Alan comes back to town but does not go home. He makes several calls in the city. Gerry begins to improve. Margarita's plantation and builds an irrigation ditch. In Africa Alan reads Clem's letters and dreams of home. Gerry cures Lieber's cattle during the drought.

## TO YOU WOMEN

Suppose your husband deserted you because you played a rather dangerous prank on him—danger of family dishonor? Suppose, after he had been gone two years, another man came along and told his love at your feet? Would you do right in encouraging him? Should you wait longer for the husband?

## CHAPTER XVII—Continued.

Gerry still waited. It was terrible to wait. Then she called to him. "Gere! Gere!" He leaped up and pounded on the door but nobody came. Yesterday they had all been served to him; today he was nothing. He shouted, "I am here! I shall always be here." She did not call again. He paced up and down the veranda saying to himself, "A little roll of blue ribbon—a little roll of blue ribbon!" He stumbled on the saddle that Lieber had sent him. It held his eyes. He picked up the handle and ran down to the pasture. He caught the oldest and gentlest of the horses, opened a gap in the fence and led him out. Then he called Bonifacio. "Listen," he said, "you must take the fattest of the steers—the red one with the blazed face—you must drive him into town and sell him."

The dorky demurred. "It is too late for market, master."

"It does not matter. You must do as I say," said Gerry angrily. "You must sell the steer. If you cannot sell him you must give him for blue ribbon. Do you understand? You must bring back blue ribbon for your mistress. She says you must have a little roll of blue ribbon."

Hours passed and Bonifacio returned. He laid a little package and some money beside his master. He unsaddled the old horse and turned him into the pasture; then he came back, sat down at Gerry's feet and slept. Gerry looked with wonder on his nodding head. Then the door opened and Donna Maria came bustling out. "Come in," she cried; "you art the father of a man child."

Gerry went in and knelt beside the bed. Margarita looked at him and smiled faintly, proudly. He laid the little roll of blue ribbon in her weak hand. She turned her head slowly and looked down. She saw the glint of blue and understood. She turned her eyes, swimming black pools in a white, drawn face, to Gerry. To sacrifice she added adoration.

## Chapter XVII

The calm which had settled on Alix's life puzzled her. She wondered if she was beginning to miss Gerry less. She was still debating the point when Collingford arrived in the city. Upon arrival he called on Mrs. J. Y. and then on Nance and then, of course, on Alix. As she came into the room he felt a strange fluttering in his throat. It stopped his words of greeting. He stuttered and stared. He had never felt so glad at the sight of any one.

"What are you looking so disunhappy about?" cried Alix with a smile and holding out her hand. "Has a short year changed me so much? Am I so thin or so fat?"

Collingford recovered himself. "Neither too thin nor too fat. It is perfection, not imperfection, that dismays a man. You call it a short year?" he added gravely. "It's been an eternity—not a year!"

But Alix was not to be diverted from her tone of badinage. She looked him over critically. "Well," she said, "I congratulate you. I didn't know before that bronze could bronze. What a lot of health you carry about with you."

Collingford smiled. "Clem said I looked as though I had been living on babies."

They sat and stared at each other. Each found the other good to look upon. Seen alone, Collingford's tall, tense figure or the fragile quality of Alix's pale beauty, would have seemed hard to match. Seen together, they were wonderfully in tune. Alix grew grave under inspection. Collingford nervous. "There is no news," he asked.

"None," said Alix and a far-away look came into her eyes as if her mind were off, thousands of miles, intent on a search of its own.

Collingford broke the spell. He jumped up and said he had come for just one thing—to take her out for a walk. It was one of those happy early winter afternoons cut out to fit a walk. Alix must put on her things.

She did and together they walked the long length of the avenue and out into the park.

By that time they had decided it was quite a warm afternoon after all—almost warm enough to sit down. They tried it. Collingford sat half turned on the bench and devoured Alix with his eyes. And just as he was going to say a word Alix gave him a full, measuring look and said, almost hastily, "It is too cold, after all. Quite chilly. It is so warm, so fast deceived us."

She rose and started tearfully to open the gate. "Come on, Honorable Percy," she said playfully.

Collingford caught up with her and said moodily, "If you call me Honorable Percy again I shall dub you Honest Alix."

They were walking down the avenue. "Honest Alix isn't half bad," he continued thoughtfully. "The race has got into the habit of yoking the word honest to our attitude toward other people's pennies but it's a good old word that stands for trustworthy, sincere, truthful and all the other adjectives that fit straight riding."

"Speaking of riding, Mr. Collingford, you're riding for a fall," Alix glanced at him meaningly.

"How did you know?" he stammered and then went on rather sullenly. "Anyway, you're wrong. I'm not. But I was just going to." He prodded viciously at the cracks in the pavement with his stick.

"Don't," said Alix. "Don't do that. I mean. You'll break your stick and it's the one I like."

Collingford turned a flushed face to her. "Look here, Alix," he said, "you are honest and sincere and all those things I said. Don't let's hedge—not just now. If you had luck doesn't let up—if you learn anything—anything you don't want to know—I can't say it right out—would you—do you think you ever would?"

Alix did not smile. He was too much in earnest and she liked him too much—was too much at one with him—not to feel what he was going through. "I like you Honest Alix," she said, after a pause, "and I'm going to let her do the talking for a moment. If I learned absolutely that Gerry can never come back to me, there is no man that I would turn to quicker than to you." Collingford gave her a grateful look and the flush under his tan deepened. "Don't misunderstand me," she went on. "I like you a whole lot, but I have never thought of marrying anyone but Gerry. I'd like to marry Gerry. I've never married him yet. Not really."

They walked on for some time in silence. Collingford's thoughts had raced southward and Alix followed them unerringly. "Don't make any horrible mistake, Percy," she said when she was sure. "Don't imagine that I could ever love the bearer of ill tidings."

Collingford flushed, this time with shame. "No, of course not," he stammered.

"You see—or can't you see?" she went on, "that all this new life of mine I've hung on to a single hook of faith. I could not break out from this probation for any other man. I do not mean that a woman can love but once—not necessarily. But I do think that one's life must spring from a new chrysalis to meet a new love fairly. Second loves at first sight have a taint of the bargain counter and the ready-made. Love is not a chance tenant. He must build or grow into a new home."

They walked on in a full silence. Collingford's shoulders drooped. For the first time in his life he felt old. "You are right—you are always right," he said at last. "I shall go away—somewhere where it's easy to sweat."

"Somewhere where it's easy to sweat?" exclaimed Alix. "What an ugly thought."

"It's only Bodsky," said Collingford. "Bodsky says you can draw any woman's memory in sweat. Good old Bod! I wonder where I shall find him."

"Oh," said Alix. "If it's Bodsky's, one mustn't quarrel with it simply because it is ugly. Bodsky."

"But what?" said Collingford.

"I was going to say, 'But what naked language?' Perhaps it is one of those truths one shrinks from because it starts in by slapping one's face. Anyway, even if it is a truth, it's horrid. It hurts a woman to be forgotten."

Collingford smiled. "Just so," he said and stopped before an up-town ticket agency. "Do you mind?" he asked, with a wave of his hand. They went in and he bought a passage for England. He was to sail the following afternoon. He looked so glum over it that Alix consented to lunch with him and see him off.

He came for her the next day a little late but, when she saw his face, she felt a shock and forgot to chide him. Her eyes mirrored his.

Collingford's face twitched. He fixed his eyes through the cab window on nothing. "Bodsky," he said, "is dead. He has been dead for months."

"Oh," cried Alix. "I'm sorry. I'm sorry for you." She did not try to say any more. She had put all her heart into those few words.

Collingford drew out his pocket-book and took from it a soiled sheet of paper—a leaf torn from a field notebook. He held it out to her with trembling hand. "I wouldn't show it to anyone else. Trouble has made you great-hearted. Read it."

Alix puzzled over the slip of paper.

"What's the name of the place? I can't make it out."

"It's a little hole on the borders of Tibet. That paper's been handed along for five months. The envelope it came in was in tatters. 'Dear Old Pal,' read Alix. 'Do you remember what I used to tell you? When a man has seen all the world he must go home or die. When we last parted I had three places left to see, but they haven't lasted me as long as I thought they would. I have sent you my battery. The bores are a bit too big for the new powder and you can't use the guns, I know, but you'll have a home, old man, and you can give them a place in a rack. They will make a little room as wide as the ends of the earth. I didn't kill her. I made her kill herself. Bodsky.'"

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A shadow seemed to fall on them. The room's high, delicate paneling and the painted oval of the ceiling seemed to hover over a suddenly darkened emptiness. The hum and chatter of the throng became little and far away. Collingford and Alix felt as though they sat alone and yet not alone. Collingford nodded as though Alix had spoken. "Yes," he said, "Bodsky has come back to us. Don't regret it. I don't know how it is with you but I feel that we two are alone with him and that it's worth while. He's come on us like a cloud."

"But I like clouds," he continued. "big black clouds. If it were not for them you couldn't see the lightning or hear the thunder. They make lightning and thunder—the arm and the voice of the gods."

"Bodsky was elemental. He was an element. He could not produce but he could make fertile the lives of lesser men. I've sat at his feet ever since the first time he spoke to me. I didn't know I was doing it but I can see it now. And the result is this: Bodsky couldn't go home. But I can and I'm going home before I've seen the whole world. Only—only I wish I could take you with me."

"There, there," said Alix, playfully, but her eyes were soft. "We must go now or you will miss your ship."

## CHAPTER XVIII

As Alix and Collingford left the dining room she said, "They weren't all butterflies after all. I saw a man and a woman."

"Not really?" said Collingford. "Who?"

"Alan Wayne and Dora Tennel." At Alan's name Collingford's face lit up with interest. "Ten Percent Wayne, eh? Yes, you're right. He's a man. And Dora Tennel, ex-Lady Braeme. Yes, she's a woman too—in a way."

"Has she a tarnished reputation?" Collingford stopped short in his stride and looked keenly at Alix. "A queer lady," he said, "that is a question one does not put to a man. However, it doesn't embarrass me to answer it in this case. She has not."

"I don't know," said Alix. "Oh, yes I do. I remember. Someone told me once that Alan surrounded himself with tarnished reputations."

Each followed the train of his own thoughts until they reached the pier. Alix did not get out of the cab. She leaned from the window and said good-by. Collingford held her hand and her eyes long, then he turned away and hurried into the elevator.

When Alix got home she sat down and wrote a note to Alan—just a line to tell him that she was ready and wished to see him. He came the following afternoon. At first he was a little awkward, straining just the least too much not to betray his nervousness. But the sight of Alix put him at his ease. She had become a true woman—true in the sense of honor—and she was tempered as steel, but soft with the softness of motherhood.

About her there was the peace of an inner shrine. She drew him into it unhesitatingly and he suddenly felt unclean just as he had felt unworthy on that other day when he had recoiled from Nance's long arms around his neck.

"You're not looking very well, Alan," said Alix when he was seated.

"No, I'm not on the top of the wave just now," replied Alan. "Touch of river fever. It's like



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### WILSON'S FLEA—VILLA!

ACCORDING to the many stories from Mexico Villa's anatomy is distributed in a very indiscriminate fashion over various sections of that country—here one leg there another, yonder an arm or two, now an eye etc! Next we hear he is shot thru the body, and finally, he was "kilt intoirly", as Pat would say, and buried.

Wonderful man! In spite of all this he is still hopping over the land like an Australian Kangaroo or to change our figure, like Pat's flea! "As many lives as a cat", is now out of date since Villa's performances.

### RICH ROBBERS

THERE are many reasons to believe that some of the big manufacturers, notably the Trusts, well styled "predatory", are making these times of stress occasions for squeezing the people by raising the prices of nearly every article they consume especially the great staples of life which every one must have.

A big campaign of commercial graft would seem to be under way, for certain it is the prices of nearly everything are going up, up, everlastingly up! In a few cases with some reason, in most cases with little or none. A baleful greed of great and quick gain seems to be in all the air—one of the evils that usually follow in the train of horrid war.

By the recent Rittman process 50 per cent more gasoline is now obtained from coal oil, and yet because of the rascally tricks of the Standard Oil monopoly, the price of gasoline has advanced over 100 per cent in the last few months!

Here in Delaware gasoline is selling at 26 cents, while in Detroit and in many places in the Western states it can be bought for about half that price. The Commission which has recently investigated the subject, reports that prices thus widely differ in various sections of the country, showing conclusively that the big rise is due to a fraudulent "cornering" of the market by these thieving corporations.

The mere threat of this investigation sent gasoline down several cents a gallon. Were two or three of the rich scoundrels who are making a business of thus robbing the masses sent to jail as they well deserve, the price of this household necessity, gasoline, would come down on a run.

But that never has been done, and what is more, never will be. Rich and powerful thieves who thru manipulations of the markets or thru food adulterations, etc., rob every man, woman and child in the country, seldom or never are convicted; but if by some rare chance, as in the case of Heike the Treasurer of the thieving Sugar Trust, and of Morse, the banker-thief, they are convicted, either the friendly upper Courts that usually keeps rich swindlers out of jail, overturn the conviction on some paltry quibble, or a tender-hearted executive pardons the wealthy rogue, and he escapes with his booties—less the share the lawyers get for helping him beat the law.

Meat goes up nearly every week—truly, as the Mother Goose rhyme has it, "the cow jumps over the moon". The Beef Trust is "skinning" not only their beeves, but their customers also. In fact, this grasping set of plunderers out in Chicago not only rob the public who buy, but the cattlemen in the West who sell, for the price of beef in the market is going up, on the hoof it is going down, the cattlemen now getting less money for their beeves than they did a year ago!

Are we here in America sowing the fruitful seeds of another French Revolution? It only needed about a century of kingly tyranny—Louis XIV to Louis XVI—and of land and commercial monopolies, wherein the historian says "the rich had the enjoyments, and the poor carried the burdens", to precipitate that cataclysm, and we have already gone some part of the way with our grinding corporation tyrannies and oppressive monopolies.

Our peril today is not the grisly threat of anarchistic socialism with its McNamara bomb campaigns, not yet the mischief making Industrial Workers of the World, "Madmen casting firebrands and death". These are open dangers and may be fought.

It is the hidden perils issuing out of Wall Street where in princely offices, millionaires plot the levy of all kinds of grinding monopolies, of transportation, of money, of foods—of everything save air and water—there is where the Nation's peril lies.

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## Lilies for the Holy Easter Day



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**O**EARTH, upon thy breast,  
By the soft winds caress't,  
Bring all thy blossoms forth in bright array,  
From dusky wood and dell  
Sweet herb and lily bell  
To ornament his holy Easter Day.

## OBSERVANCE OF EASTER SUNDAY

**T**HE observance of Easter Sunday dates back to the founding of the early Christian church. In commemoration of the resurrection of Jesus. It is generally believed by all Christians that Jesus was crucified on Friday and buried. The following Sunday certain women of Judea went to the tomb early in the morning to anoint his body.

Saturday was the Sabbath day of the Jews. That accounts for the delayed visit to the tomb. Jesus was buried so late Friday the women did not have time to anoint his body. As soon as day dawned that Sunday morning the women went to the tomb, and, according to sacred accounts, found Christ had gone.

The stone which sealed the mouth of the tomb was rolled away. At first they were filled with grief, believing his body was stolen. Then they remembered the words of their Master, that he would rise from the tomb the third day. His reappearance and assurance that all could conquer the grave was the cause of great rejoicing.

From the time of the flight of the children of Israel from Egypt, the Jews had observed the Passover to commemorate the night when the angel of death passed over the houses of the Hebrews and slew the first-born in the houses of the Egyptians. The feast of the Passover was being observed by the citizens of Jerusalem at the time of the crucifixion. The followers of Christ continued to observe the feast of the Passover, but the observance took on a new meaning.

The exact time of the feast was not settled until the council of Nice, called by Emperor Constantine of Rome in the year 325. It was then decided that the feast should be observed the first Sunday after the first full moon after the spring equinox. The only great astronomical observatory in the world at that time was at Alexandria, Egypt. It was left to the astronomers there to determine when Easter should come.

The early Christians did not know the feast by the name of Easter. The name is of Saxon origin and came from the feast of the paschal lamb of the early Christian church with the feast of the coming of spring of the Saxons.

Ostara, the goddess of spring of the Saxons, was worshipped in England and Germany before the first missionaries to the north of Europe brought the story of Christ. The Saxons, in accepting Christianity, continued to observe their old feasts just as the Jewish Christians continued to observe the feast of the Passover. The missionaries persuaded the Saxons to accept the feast of the paschal lamb and simply change the name to that of the feast of Ostara, which later was anglicized to Easter.

The Easter egg also had its origin among non-Christians. The people of northern Europe hunted eggs in the springtime, believing that it was good luck to find them and eat them. Of course wild birds laid eggs only in the spring of the year. The Christian missionaries to our ancestors saw an opportunity to win men to a belief in Christianity by adopting the egg hunting day and combining it with Easter.

The egg was shown to typify life. As the chick lies imprisoned in the egg only to burst forth, so will our bodies lie in the tomb only to be resurrected at the call of God.

The hunting and eating of eggs is observed today in Persia and in other Asiatic lands where there is no Christianity, showing that the custom does not come with Christianity.

### EASTER IN HEARTS OF MEN

Chain of Witnesses to the Resurrection Has Been Added to Throughout the Centuries.

**C**HRISt is risen." The choirs sing about it. The preachers proclaim it. The multitudes believe it. Does it seem strange that because a small group of sad-eyed, discouraged men and women, almost two thousand years ago, suddenly came to believe that a man they had loved had returned to life after being executed on the cross, people should still believe it today? Nineteen centuries is a long time, and Palestine is far away. How is it that the belief of the first Christians has laid hold upon us?

It is not enough to explain it as an old tradition, handed down from generation to generation. If the experience of the apostles and the three Marys and the five hundred brethren to whom he made himself known were the only reason for keeping Easter, it is not probable that Easter would still be kept. Faith that is only handed on does not survive as this faith has survived. There must be another reason.

The other reason is that there never has been an age since the first Christian age until now when there were not among the people of the earth those to whom Christ had become a living person. The healing of the lame, the raising of the dead, the stress of life, despairing men and women have reached out to touch him and they have touched him and been made whole again. Martyrs, stretched on the agonizing rack, have heard him. Other martyrs, bound among the burning fagots, have seen him in the fire. Tempted men have sought him in the hour of their temptation, and his arm has sustained them. Such as they do not need to be told that long ago, on a Sunday morning in the spring, the

grave released him. They know that he is released, for he has become the living power of their lives.

When the eleven, after the tragic death of Judas, chose a twelfth apostle, they did so that he might become a witness with them of the resurrection. Since then, from all nations and tribes, a great company whom God alone can number has been added to the chain of witnesses. Daily their number is increased. Easter is Easter, not because Jesus rose long ago, but because Jesus still lives, and because there are among us those who know that he lives.—Youth's Companion.

### ALWAYS IN BALMY SUNSHINE

Climate of the Bermudas Makes the Islands Appear Much Like a Paradise on Earth.

Some fanciful writers have declared that the Isles of Bermuda are the remnants of the lost continent of Atlantis, now at the bottom of the Atlantic ocean.

From this premise has grown the legend that the fabled land was a place of perpetual sunshine, of tangorous ease for its inhabitants, of perpetual joy and perennial flowers, and abundant luscious fruit.

It was fair, perhaps, so to argue, when the major premise had been balmy sunshine, and all the accompanying delights. The climate is delightful at all seasons; rarely does the thermometer go below 60 degrees in winter or above 80 degrees in summer. Vegetation is very rapid and the soil is clad in a perpetual mantle of green.

On all sides, color: birds of brilliant plumage—bright-red cardinal birds, blue birds of a vivid hue unknown to our more somber clime; fishes of equally bright shades and fantastic form; and flowers past all belief. Oleander hedges line every roadside in bloom the year round. Stately palms of many species, the broad leaves of the banana and plantain, the great spikes of the Spanish bayonet, huge aloes, the spreading fans of the palmetto, and many other tropical trees and shrubs abound on every side.

On Easter eve everyone goes to the midnight mass, and there everything that is used for food in Russia receives a blessing from the priests—the orchards for fruit, the rivers for fish, the crops, etc.

## The Little French Girl by Dorothy Blackmore

**R**AYMONDE ROUSSEAU was a frail, pretty little French artist, who lived in a tiny studio in a great building. She made her living by painting wonderful water-color dance orders, dinner cards, holiday greetings and fanciful conceits for social entertainments of all sorts. Also, she added to her income by singing in the choir of a big church.

Until the European war had broken out Raymonde's brother, Jacques, had lived with her, but when his country entered the conflict he was called to join his colors. Raymonde cried for days after her brother sailed for France, but she knew she would have been ashamed of Jacques had he been unwilling to go.

The approach of Easter brought much work to Raymonde, and the lights in her studio burned late every night as she sat over her desk making water colors. She looked very much like a French print herself in the quaint costumes she always designed for her own wear. Her straight, black

never have reached you," he said kindly. "But why?" she asked, in agonized tones and pushing back the straight wisps of hair.

"The reports haven't been confirmed, or you would have heard," he said.

The girls helped her to become calm and comfortable again, and though she sat through the rehearsal she was unable to bring a note from her throat for the lump that seemed to be choking her.

"You'll let me walk home with you tonight, please?" asked Trenton Knox gently.

Raymonde smiled a wan little smile, and there was none of the usual sparkle in her brown eyes. "It would be so good of you—I have been foolish and weak to faint, but I—"

"You have been overdoing it and you look as if you hadn't taken time to rest and eat," the big tenor said, as he guided her from the church.

On the way home they stopped and had a bite of supper in a quiet restaurant near Raymonde's studio, and there, out of sheer weariness, she permitted her veil of reserve to drop before the man who had always been so kind to her.

As they walked around the corner to the studio building she leaned on his arm and he felt as if he could never leave her alone again.

The elevator boy handed her a message. She took it with trembling hands. Gently but firmly Trenton took it from her. He saw that it was a transatlantic cable. "When we get upstairs we'll open it," he said.

And it was he, not Raymonde, who tore it open and read the words:

"Jacques wounded, but safe at home. Love." It was unsigned, but Raymonde knew it was from her family and she knew, too, that they realized that she might have received the paper with the awful mistake printed in it.

"I—felt as if I could not open it," she said to Trenton as she sank into a studio chair by the small hard-coal fire she always kept burning. "You—are so good to me."

"Good? Good?" he said. And then after a minute in which he seemed to be pondering his subject, "Raymonde, won't you let me take care of you? I see tonight how much you need some one, and I—love you? I have loved you for long, but you never let me tell you so till now."

Tears streamed down the little French girl's pale cheeks. The night's gamut of emotions had been too much

## EASTERTIDE

By Jean Erickson

*Nature voices all her gladness,  
Lays aside her gloom and sadness,  
All is peace and joy and gladness,  
At Eastertide.*

*So let every heart of sorrow  
Neither trouble keep nor borrow;  
All is peace upon the morrow,  
At Eastertide.*

*Tell the resurrection story,  
Tell of him, the King of Glory,  
Every tongue repeat the story  
At Eastertide.*

*Ring, ye, Easter lilies, ring,  
In the breezes gently swing;  
Every heart for joy shall sing,  
At Eastertide.*

Easter Brought Much Work.

hair and her ivory skin and scarlet lips made her a conspicuous beauty anywhere. Added to this, her unique taste in dress made her more than attractive.

Perhaps it was her continental manner, perhaps merely her natural diffidence, that made her difficult of approach. But she was admired by everyone who came in contact with her, and in the choir where she sang she had many friends even though she did not perhaps realize it.

Choir rehearsals for Easter music made her attendance necessary, and she found herself hurrying from her studio to the church without taking proper time to eat nourishing meals. Raymonde was very conscientious and she did not want to neglect either her painting or her choir work.

It was the week before Palm Sunday and Easter day that found the little French girl nearly exhausted. A boat had arrived bringing her letters and papers from her home in the suburbs of Paris. She picked up her mail and went to church for a rehearsal without so much as getting a bite of dinner. She feared being late and conspicuous in entering the choir stalls.

Instead of being late, Raymonde found herself there before any of the others, and she was glad of a few quiet moments in which to read her mail. She looked at her home letters, and then opened up a newspaper from the suburb in which she lived. Her face suddenly became as set as the face of an ivory image—she had seen her brother's name among the list of soldiers who had fallen to return with their regiments.

"Jacques! Jacques!" she breathed, just as a merry group of choristers came upon her in the dimly lighted church.

"Why—It's little Miss Rousseau!" "She's faint!"

One of the girls bent over her and, as they laid her on the broad church seat and administered restoratives, a man, who had taken more than a passing interest in the little French girl and knew something of her life, picked up the paper she had dropped from her hand.

"It's her brother—he's among those reported dead in battle. Poor little girl!" Trenton Knox had always felt a sort of indefinable sympathy for the little soprano.

Raymonde opened her eyes. "It—It can't be true—can it?" she asked, searching the faces of those about her pitifully.

Trenton Knox bent over her. "This paper is two weeks old—it should

for her overwrought nerves. "I've felt so—so different from you all," she managed to say. "So—so alone!"

Trenton leaned over her. "Don't say alone again, Raymonde—if you love me."

"Oh," she breathed. "I do—I do."

"And you'll marry me after Easter and we'll have the whole blessed choir



Tore It Open and Read the Words.

here in your studio to wish us joy after we come back from the Little Church Around the Corner, won't we, dear?"

And Raymonde nodded even while she sobbed.

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### Jerusalem at Easter.

The streets of Jerusalem, forty feet above the streets where Jesus walked, are thronged on Easter day. They crowd about the Chapel of the Ascension, they swarm about the Garden of Gethsemane and the Grotto of Agony, and they flow along the Via Dolorosa, with its fourteen stations, each commemorating some act of Jesus. And about the Church of the Holy Sepulchre is a great multitude of Armenians, Russians, Copts, Poles, Greeks, Syrians, Turks, Jews and, occasionally, Anglo-Saxons. Here are fakers selling bits of the cup from which Jesus drank at the Last Supper, threads of the robe of John the Baptist, fruits and sticky sweets, cakes of incense, rosaries and crucifixes, and candles for the miracle of the Holy Fire.

### May Deserve Immortality.

It does not lessen the immortal hope that it grows out of man's reluctance to vanish like a candle flame in endless dark. Fear of death is a very good soil for hope of immortality to grow. Desire that life shall find fulfillment and love completion somewhere in the universe of God makes man worthy of immortality. If he did not yearn for it, of what advantage would it be to him? It may or may not be within our power to command immortality—the theories differ about that, but it is within our power to deserve it. Above all it is within our power to live immortally even in this mortality, to live the eternal type of life in time.

## Get the Habit of Drinking Hot Water Before Breakfast

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People who feel good one day and badly the next, but who simply can not get feeling right are urged to obtain a quarter pound of limestone phosphate from any druggist or storekeeper. This will cost very little but is sufficient to make anyone a real crank on the subject of internal sanitation.

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—Adv.

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"Well, goodness knows the international laws need a lot of doctoring."

Reverend Wife as Widow.  
Realizing that he was dying, Karl Kellams, three days before his death, asked his wife to buy a black mourning dress and veil so that he could see her as she would appear at the funeral. To satisfy him, Mrs. Kellams dressed in mourning and stood at his bedside. Kellams had been sick of tuberculosis for some months. He recently returned from Phoenix, Ariz., where he had gone in the hope that the change in climate would benefit him.—Philadelphia Record.

Free Concert.  
"Hello!" said a voice at the other end of the phone. "Is that the night clerk?"

"Yes," replied that functionary, "what can I do for you?"

"I want you to send somebody up and make that man in the next room stop snoring. I can't sleep a wink."

"What room are you in?" asked the clerk.

"No. 53. It's the man in No. 51 who is doing the snoring."  
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## Now Spring Is Here



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*THE winter's ice and snow are gone,  
Flowers bloom, soft breezes blow;  
The waking earth laughs in the sun  
And all the world's aglow.*

## Easter

GOT me flowers to strew thy way,  
I got me boughs off many a tree;  
But thou wast up by break of day,  
And brought'st thy sweets along with thee.  
Yet though my flowers be lost, they say  
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Teach it to sing thy praise this day,  
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—Author Unknown.



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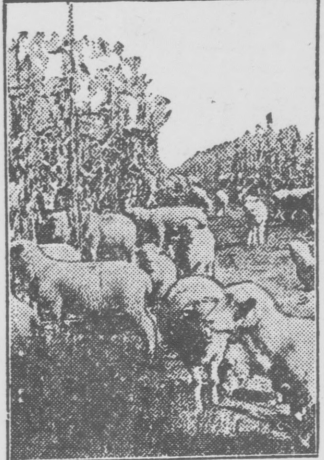
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Sheep Are Useful in Pasturing Off Weeds in Standing Corn.

two ways—in the amount of pasturage required and in the amount of winter feed needed.

In Missouri, Illinois, Kentucky, Indiana and Ohio, wherever there is bluegrass, sheep should be run. These regions are peculiarly adapted to sheep growing in connection with general farming. The grass comes early in the spring and lingers until very late in the fall. In about three years out of every five the pasturage is such that the sheep can take pretty good care of themselves until well along in the winter. With a pasture of this sort and a cornfield full of soy beans or cowpeas the problem of sheep feeding pretty nearly solves itself.

In this way the sheep-feeding season is greatly shortened and the feeding cost is cut down to a point where it amounts to very little. While you are forced to be shoveling out the corn, the silage and the cake to the cattle, the sheep are managing to get along with very little expense to their owner.

**SELF-FEEDER IS PROFITABLE**

Experiment Made at Nebraska Experiment Station Shows Method to Be Practicable.

That the self-feeder is practicable for lambs is shown by the results of an experiment that has just closed at the Nebraska experiment station. Twenty-eight lambs fed for 40 days by the self-feeder method made an average daily gain of half a pound a head at a cost of \$7.34 for each 100 pounds of gain. The net profit per head was \$1.45. Pea-size oil meal and prairie hay were kept before the lambs constantly from the beginning of the test. Corn was added the third day, and gradually increased from that time. At the close of the third week the lambs were consuming about two pounds of corn and one-half pound of oil meal per head daily. At the end of the experiment they were consuming one-half pound more of corn a day and the same amount of oil meal. The average daily consumption of prairie hay per lamb was one-half pound. Corn was valued at 60 cents a bushel, oil meal at \$40 a ton and prairie hay at \$9 a ton.

**REAL PROFIT IN LIVE STOCK**

Problem of Making Profit is Largely Matter of Making Use of Silage and Roughage.

When you break even on your beefs you are ahead of the game provided you save the manure—especially if you have kept hogs following the cattle. "Saving the manure" doesn't mean saving merely one-third or one-fourth. It means saving all of it, liquid as well as solid.

The problem of keeping live stock with profit is largely a matter of making use as silage, roughage, or bedding, of stuff that is wasted on the average farm.

Weeds and weed seeds, usually counted worse than nothing, may be put on the right side of the ledger by means of a few sheep. Grass makes cheap pork.

**Sign of Prosperity.**  
Improved live stock on a farm is a sign of prosperity. The way to begin is by swatting the scrub sire.

**Carelessness is Costly.**  
Carelessness in care of feed will cause a loss in the wool, as well as the loss in a poor, sickly lamb.

**Stop Up the Cracks.**  
Wind is a good thing. Sweeps the old earth clean and makes everybody healthy. But when it sifts through big cracks in the barn it doesn't make the cattle feel so very well, and you won't feel very well, either, when you come to pay the extra feed bills. Stop the cracks with battens, not with feed.

**Valuable Side Line.**  
Selling registered stock to those who desire to build up their herds and flocks is a valuable side line for an intelligent farmer to undertake.

**TROUBLE IN GETTING STAND OF CLOVER**

Enriching the Soil by Plowing Under or at Least Growing Cowpeas or Other Legume, the Addition of Phosphates and the Use of Lime if the Soil Is Sour Are Important in Securing Stand of Clover.

(By C. B. HUTCHINSON, Missouri College of Agriculture.)

Our recent dry seasons have discouraged many who had difficulty in getting stands of clover, but if proper methods of seeding are used there should be little difficulty on most of the farms in this section. If it were possible to predict a very dry year at sowing time, it would be better not to use any nurse crop which takes up the moisture needed by the clover, but as this cannot be predicted, it is better to have a thin stand of some nurse crop which will keep down the weeds without taking too much moisture from the clover or shading it too much.

A stand of clover is dependent upon many factors, such as weather conditions, soil, quality of the seed, and weeds. If a nurse crop is used, rye, wheat and oats are usually ranked for their efficiency as nurse crops in the order given, but farmers reverse this order because they would rather have oats and wheat in their bins. The nurse crop, of course, does not directly aid the clover, but is used to keep down the growth of wild grasses and weeds which tend to crowd out and destroy the young plants. In many cases where weeds do not bother, the clover will often make a better growth alone than where it must compete with the grain crop. On thin lands and dry seasons a nurse crop is generally a disadvantage, but under favorable conditions a stand can usually be secured with a nurse crop and the use

of the land for the season is not entirely lost.

If a nurse crop is sowed in the fall the clover may be broadcasted on the meadow the following February or early in March on a frosty morning when the ground is nicely "honey-combed" with frost. With the soil in this condition, the clover seed lodges in small cracks or crevices and is covered when the ground thaws. The usual rate of seeding the clover at this time is about six or eight pounds.

Some prefer to drill the clover seed with a disk drill, crossing the rows of wheat or rye at right angles. The seed should be run into the main holes of the drill, so it will be covered. Run the disks shallow and the wheat or timothy plants will not be disturbed to any great extent.

Another method which is preferred by some is to sow the clover and timothy on the wheat after the ground is dry enough to work and cover by a light harrowing.

Timothy and clover may also be sowed alone in the spring, but if the land is foul with weeds, a light seeding of grain, to be cut for hay when it is in the soft dough or milk stage, will help to keep the weeds under control.

These suggestions are more fully discussed in Circular 68 of the Missouri agricultural experiment station at Columbia. The circular is entitled "The Seeding of Meadows and Pastures."



No Especial Treatment Was Given This Field.

**DIVERSIFICATION IS ESSENTIAL ON FARM**

Good Yields From Crops and Live Stock Are Necessary for Paying Business.

(By S. B. CLELAND, Minnesota Experiment Station.)

With each new era visited or old era revisited by men doing the farm management demonstration work it becomes more and more apparent that a good size of business, good yields from crops and from live stock and a proper diversification of the farm business are all essential to success in farming. A recent demonstration shows this in striking fashion.

The most profitable ten farms in a certain locality were compared with the average of some 60 farms visited and in all respects mentioned were found to be better than the average. In the matter of size, whether considering total acreage, acreage in crops or acreage in potatoes, these ten farms averaged 50 per cent larger than the average of the locality. In returns

from live stock the ten farms showed ten per cent more income from each animal than the average. The crops were better, especially potatoes, the most important crop, which went 122 bushels to the acre, against an average yield of 99 bushels. The farm business was so arranged on these ten good farms that every man and every horse was able to cover from ten to twenty per cent more ground than the average.

As a result of these methods the ten farms mentioned showed an average labor income of nearly \$1,400, while the average man in the locality had a labor income of only \$414. This is all the more striking when one considers that a man's labor income is not merely what he makes above expenses, but in what is left as pay for his year's time over interest on his investment, which, in the case of the larger farms of the ten men mentioned, would be a heavier charge than the average.

**Important Chick Feed.**  
Milk, whether it is sweet or sour, is an important feed for young chicks. Milk has the property, when fed early enough, of increasing vitality and indirectly of strengthening resistance to disease.

**FEEDS NECESSARY FOR EGGS**

Animal Food and Green Stuff of Some Kind Are Essential—Good, Comfortable House Helps.

Given the best grain ration to be found, a hen can't make eggs without other things. Animal food and green foods are essential. And don't overlook the fact that a good, comfortable house is necessary, in spite of what some open-air advocates may tell you.

Even in mild climates poultry needs some protection from the elements during the winter season.

**Egg Gathering.**  
It will pay to gather the eggs many times during the day. If they are left in the nests until evening there is always danger that they will be broken, and the hens will then eat them, thus forming the egg-eating habit. After a hen once acquires this habit it is almost impossible to break her of it, and it is better to kill her at once.

**GOOD ROADS****GOOD ROADS ASSIST CITIES**

Merchants in Town Reap as Much Profit as Persons Living Along Improved Highways.

"Men who have been successful in building up large enterprises, men who have made a lifelong study of conditions of affairs where bad roads predominate, and men who have put their best efforts into improving highways are unanimous in one opinion—that it is the duty of big cities to help in building good roads that lead into their limits," said a good roads enthusiast to a Washington Star representative.

"The cities derive as much benefit as, if not more than, the residents along the route of the proposed improvement."

"It has been proved time and time again that farm lands with a hard



Good Road in Washington Suburb.

road outlet into the city are far more valuable than the farm that is shut off from the city five months out of the year on account of impassable roads.

"The farmer benefits by easier hauling, cheaper transportation, time saving and better social conditions for his wife, children and self."

"The city benefits by cheaper produce, the opportunity for the rural resident to get into the city and make purchases and the merchant in town can extend his zone of delivery far out into the country."

"The best proof that good roads bring prosperity is brought home to the very doors of Washington by a comparison of the two states on the borders of the District of Columbia."

"Maryland has practically finished a six-year job of good roads building. Virginia has hardly commenced. A two-hour automobile ride, say to Frederick, Md., followed by a two-hour ride through Virginia to Warrenton, will show a contrast that is not hard to understand."

"Washington has profited greatly by the good roads to Frederick. It has brought thousands of dollars to this city."

"Within the past year a good road has been built to Fairfax, Va., which is half way to Warrenton. Conditions for the better are noticeable along this stretch. Twenty-three more miles are needed to put Warrenton in close touch with the capital. A greater part of the amount necessary has been raised in the country district, the balance is looked for in Washington. Just how far the business and motorists in Washington will go along this line is problematical, but that Washington will profit by a good road to Warrenton or any other Virginia town within a radius of fifty to one hundred miles is a certainty. Making the path to one's door easy for the purchasers is always good advertising. Helping build a good road into the city that will bring thousands of buyers into town is surely making the path easier."

**ASPHALT OIL BEST ON ROADS**

University of Missouri Engineering Dean Says Tests Show It Is Superior to Anything Else.

The only kind of oil used in oiling streets or roads, in the opinion of Dean E. J. McCaustland of the school of engineering of the University of Missouri, should be an oil that contains asphalt. Oil that contains paraffin will evaporate rapidly and leave a road muddy and sticky.

The engineering experiment station here has analyzed many samples of road oils sent to the university from various parts of the state. Oil that has an asphalt base will give almost as much satisfaction as asphalt pavement, is the opinion of Dean McCaustland.

**Good Roads Fill Churches.**  
The good road fills the country churches. It stands for neighborliness, and, best of all, it leaves good schools all along its line. It keeps the country boy with it. The good road is a sign of the culture, knowledge and civilization in a county, a state or a nation. Does your community stand the test?

**Maintenance of Roads.**  
The first and last commandment in the maintenance of earth roads is to keep the surface well drained.

**Feed for Little Chicks.**  
During the season of the year when you buy large quantities of feed for your little chicks, always ask your dealer for feeds that contain a large per cent of protein, as that is the stuff that produces large, healthy chicks in the shortest length of time.

**Use for Trap Nest.**  
You should use a trap nest of some kind for your flock and keep only those that lay the most eggs. Try this a few seasons and your egg yield will be increased.

**How to avoid Operations****These Three Women Tell How They Escaped the Dreadful Ordeal of Surgical Operations.**

Hospitals are great and necessary institutions, but they should be the last resort for women who suffer with ills peculiar to their sex. Many letters on file in the Pinkham Laboratory at Lynn, Mass., prove that a great number of women after they have been recommended to submit to an operation have been made well by Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound. Here are three such letters. All sick women should read them.



Marinette, Wis.—"I went to the doctor and he told me I must have an operation for a female trouble, and I hated to have it done as I had been married only a short time. I would have terrible pains and my hands and feet were cold all the time. I took Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound and was cured, and I feel better in every way. I give you permission to publish my name because I am so thankful that I feel well again."  
—Mrs. FRED BENNEKE, Marinette, Wis.

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—Mrs. THOS. DWYER, 989 Milwaukee Ave., East, Detroit, Mich.

Bellevue, Pa.—"I suffered more than tongue can tell with terrible bearing down pains and inflammation. I tried several doctors and they all told me the same story, that I never could get well without an operation and I just dreaded the thought of that. I also tried a good many other medicines that were recommended to me and none of them helped me until a friend advised me to give Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound a trial. The first bottle helped, I kept taking it and now I don't know what it is to be sick any more and I am picking up in weight. I am 20 years old and weigh 145 pounds. It will be the greatest pleasure to me if I can have the opportunity to recommend it to any other suffering woman."  
—Miss IRVING FROELICHER, 1233 Manhattan St., North Side, Bellevue, Pa.

If you would like special advice write to Lydia E. Pinkham Med. Co. (confidential), Lynn, Mass. Your letter will be opened, read and answered by a woman and held in strict confidence.

**Little Mistake.**  
An old gentleman of eighty-four having taken to the altar a young damsel of about fifteen, the clergyman said to him:

"The font is at the other end of the church."

"What do I want with the font?" said the old gentleman.

"Oh, I beg your pardon," said the cleric, "I thought you had brought this child to be christened."

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**At Palm Beach.**  
"Have you read much fiction since you have been here?"  
"No; but I have listened to a lot."

How we dislike to pay for things after we have worn them out.

May heaven help the rich; the poor don't need gasoline.

**AILING WOMEN NEED THIS FAMOUS DOCTOR'S PRESCRIPTION**

Thousands of women who are now blessed with robust health cannot understand why thousands of other women continue to worry and suffer from ailments peculiar to women when they can obtain for a trifling sum Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription which will surely and quickly banish all pain, distress and misery and restore the womanly functions to health. This prescription of Dr. Pierce's extracted from roots and herbs is a temperance remedy. To get rid of irregularities, or catarrhal condition, to avoid pain at certain times, to overcome irritability and weakness, waste no time, but get Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription in liquid or tablet form this very day.

**Burglars!**  
"What did you do when you discovered there were burglars in the house?"

"My wife grabbed a rolling pin and crept softly through the hall, and I followed her."

"A case of 'safety first' for you, eh?"

**Safe Bet.**  
"If fashion makes our dresses any shorter I don't know what we'll do." "I do—you'll wear them."

Never eat pie with a knife. It's proper to eat cheese with pie, but knives should be eaten alone.

**Paper Weight.**  
Wally—Is Reggie a heavy smoker?  
Wolly—No. He weighs only a hundred and ten pounds.—Exchange.

**Druggist Knows the Best Kidney Remedy**

For more than twenty years I have been successfully selling Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root to my customers who were in need of such a medicine and they all speak in the highest terms of the good results obtained from its use. I know it is a good medicine for kidney, liver and bladder troubles and I never hesitate in recommending it to anyone who is in need of it. Very truly yours,  
W. H. MASON, Druggist,  
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**News From Below.**  
Knicker—How is your garden?  
Subbubs—The last diver reported it fine.

**"ANURIC!" NEWEST IN CHEMISTRY**

This is a recent discovery of Doctor Pierce, head of the Invalids' Hotel, Buffalo, N. Y. Experiments for several years proved that there is no other eliminator of uric acid comparable. For those easily recognized symptoms of inflammation—as backache, scalding urine and frequent urination, as well as sediment in the urine, or if uric acid in the blood has caused rheumatism, "Anuric" acts quickly. In rheumatism of the joints, in gravel and gout, invariably the pains and stiffness which so frequently and persistently accompany the disease rapidly disappear. Send Dr. Pierce 10c for large trial package. Full treatment 50c. All druggists.

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## ODESSA

Mrs. Lou Coppage, of Wilmington, is visiting Mrs. Georgia Coppage.

Mrs. William Eccles is spending this week with relatives in Philadelphia.

Watson Austin, of near Mt. Pleasant, spent Sunday with his sister Mrs. Joseph Heller.

Rev. H. C. Shipley, wife and daughter spent a few days last week with friends in Wyoming.

Mr. David Lynam, of near Cecilton, has been visiting his daughter Mrs. William Craig.

The Ladies' Aid Society met at the home of Miss Francis Williams, near town, on Wednesday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Walker, of Wilmington, were Sunday guests of her parents Mr. and Mrs. Allen Sparks.

Easter services will be held in the M. E. Church next Sunday evening. Every one is cordially invited to be present.

## AT THE MOVIES

Attractions at Opera House on Monday, April 24 and Thursday, April 27

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## TOWNSEND

Mrs. Oliver Foraker visited Galena friends Sunday.

Miss Mary Othoson visited relatives in town the past week.

Misses Lulu Ratledge and Anna Jones spent Saturday in Philadelphia.

Mrs. Maggie Smith, of Middletown, spent Sunday at the home of John Townsend.

Mr. Benjamin Lockerman, of Wilmington, spent the week-end with his parents here.

Misses Mable and Reuben Harmon have returned home from a visit to Philadelphia relatives.

Miss Maud Bramble spent several days the past week with Miss Elizabeth Maloney, in Wilmington.

Rev. John Beauchamp, of New Castle, and son, Rev. Ellen Beauchamp, visited town on Wednesday.

Mr. Thomas Maloney has returned from a visit to his daughter, Mrs. Mollie Jacobs, in Millington, Md.

Special Service Easter Sunday at 10.30 P. M., by the pastor, appropriate song service by Junior choir and preaching at 7.30.

Mrs. William P. Wilson is very ill at her home on railroad avenue, threatened with typhoid fever caused from relapse of grip.

Mrs. Harvey Records and daughter, Miss Jean, of Blackbird, was entertained Wednesday at Mrs. W. H. Reynolds.

Mrs. Walter E. Hart, who has been confined to her room the past month on account of a sprained ankle, is able to be out again.

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TOMORROW IS EASTER—One Shopping Day More! Fogel & Burstan want to see the ladies of Middletown and its environs keeping step in the great Easter Dress Celebration which beyond all precedents marks this Easter time of 1916! At the seaside, in the cities, in the towns—everywhere all who can are buying more and finer Easter Hats and Apparel, and no woman wants to be out of the universal style. Recognizing this we laid in unusual Easter Stocks and still have many choice Easter selections of Hats, Coats, Suits, etc., and so we cordially invite all who have delayed buying to do so now on this LAST DAY BEFORE EASTER!

## Ladies' Easter Suits and Dresses

We offer for this Easter the finest and biggest lot of Ladies' Dresses and Suits for every taste and all figures, plain or elaborate in make—every one handsome and up-to-the hour in style, in Poplins and Serges, brown, black, navy blue, tan, black-and-white checks. Gabardines and Corduroys in many colors and shades, besides Taffetas and Crepe de Chine in all these hues and in striking combinations—a brilliant array of as dressy, elegant costumes as any woman might ask. Prices for Dresses, \$5 to \$15; Suits \$10 to \$20.

## Ladies' Easter Coats

Does not every lady wish the very latest mode? Our new Coats for ladies will please any taste no matter how particular, we have so many styles from which to choose. You can find them in white and plaid Chinchillas, Velours, Gabardines, Corduroys and Serges in all shades. Prices \$4.50 to \$15.

## Ladies' Easter Waists

The town never saw such a collection of stylish Waists in the latest shapes, Jap. Silk, Crepe de Chines, etc.—and for prices way down! Also voile Waists in almost any color—blue, rose, maize, flesh and white—all cut after the newest fashion, but selling far below usual. Only 98c to \$3.50.

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## Gents' Easter Furnishings

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